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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 6 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

Afghanistan

Briefing by the Secretariat

Burundi

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Other matters

3.30 p.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

ICTR (S/2001/764)

Other matters

Security briefing

A briefing for delegations from the Permanent and Observer Missions regarding security arrangements for the forthcoming general debate of the General Assembly will take place *today*, 6 November 2001, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 5th meeting of the General Committee of the General Assembly will be held on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (see p. 6).

The 39th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will be held on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall (see p. 6).

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

3.30 p.m.	225th meeting* (closed)	Conference Room 7

* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to members of the United Nations, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64 to 84:

Documents of the First Committee: *item 74* (A/56/172, A/56/136 and Add.1 and 2, A/56/309, A/56/348, A/56/360, A/56/182, A/56/165 and Add.1, A/56/183, A/56/166, A/56/400, A/56/296, A/56/404, A/56/408, A/56/257 and Add.1, A/56/130 and Add.1, A/C.1/56/L.49/Rev.1)

[Documents of the First Committee: A/C.1/56/1, A/C.1/56/2, A/C.1/56/3 and Add.1, A/C.1/56/4, A/C.1/56/5*, A/C.1/56/INF.1 and Rev.1 and A/C.1/56/INF.2]

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	24th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97] (A/56/221, A/56/222-S/2001/736, A/56/306 and A/56/362-S/2001/87)

(a) Women in development (A/56/321 and Corr.1)

(b) Human resources development (A/56/162 and A/56/306)

(c) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership (A/56/364 and A/56/482)

(d) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (A/56306)

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. | 25th meeting | Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97] (A/56/221, A/56/222-S/2001/736, A/56/306 and A/56/362-S/2001/87)

(a) Women in development (A/56/321 and Corr.1)

(b) Human resources development (A/56/162 and A/56/306)

(c) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership (A/56/364 and A/56/482)

(d) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (A/56/306)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Environment and sustainable development [98]

(b) International strategy for disaster reduction

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.15

(c) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.17

(e) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.16

3. Sectoral policy questions: business and development [96 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.18

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. | 31st meeting | Conference Room 1

Human rights questions [119] (A/56/118, A/C.3/56/3)

Introductory statement and dialogue with the High Commissioner for Human Rights

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments (A/56/3 (Suppl., No. 3), A/56/44 (Suppl.), A/56/40 (Suppl., Vol. I and II and Add.1), A/56/156, A/56/177, A/56/178, A/56/179, A/56/181, A/56/205, A/56/212)

General discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | 24th meeting | Conference Room 3

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [130] (A/56/381, A/56/83, A/56/128)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. United Nations common system [127] (A/56/30 and A/56/485)

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003):

Part IV: International cooperation for development *(continued)*:

Section 12: Environment
Section 13: Human settlements
Section 14: Crime prevention and criminal justice
Section 15: International drug control

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Sections 9-15), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part V: Regional cooperation for development:

Section 16: Economic and social development in Africa
Section 16A: Regional commissions
Section 16B: Regional Commissions New York Office
Section 17: Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific
Section 18: Economic development in Europe
Section 19: Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean
Section 20: Economic and social development in Western Asia
Section 21: Regular programme of technical cooperation

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Sections 16-21), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162] (A/56/10 and Corr.1)

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162] (A/56/10 and Corr.1)

3 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162] (A/56/10 and Corr.1)

Afternoon** 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of the United Nations and Associated Personnel [167]

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* Following the adjournment of the 20th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the 21st meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
2.30 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held *today*, 6 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships), organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) will be held *today*, 6 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) *today*, 6 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 6 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 6 November 2001

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

ISLAMIC GROUP:

WORKING GROUP ON THE ANNUAL COORDINATION MEETING

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room E

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.4 (agenda item 100))

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

FRENCH WORKSHOP ON THE STRUCTURE, DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ *(Third Committee) today*, 6 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in *Conference Room C.*

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There will be a meeting of Least Developed Countries, organized by the delegation of Bangladesh, *today*, 6 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "Migration, Xenophobia and Human Rights", co-sponsored by the International Labour Office (ILO), the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the International Organization for Migration (IOM), *today*, 6 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Opening remarks will be given by Mrs. Mary Robinson, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights. The speakers will include H.E. Mr. Gustavo Albin, Permanent Representative of Mexico at the United Nations Office at Geneva; Mrs. Daniela Napoli, European Commission; Ms. Elsa Ramos, International Confederation of Free Trade Unions; Mr. Robert Paiva, Permanent Observer for the International Organization for Migration to the United Nations; and Mr. Patrick Taran, Senior Migration Specialist, ILO. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Caroline Lewis (tel.: (212) 697-0150, ext. 102).

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There will be meetings of the 2001 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 6 November 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 7 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

9 a.m. 5th meeting Conference Room 4

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, organization of work and allocation of items [8]

(a) Allocation of agenda item 169 (Administration of justice at the United Nations)

(b) Letter from the President of the Economic and Social Council (A/56/517)

10 a.m. 39th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the members of the International Law Commission [16 (a)]

(a) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/56/117 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/56/486 and Corr.1)

(c) Curricula vitae (A/56/124 and Add.1)

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 2

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	26th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	33rd meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 25th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 4

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 9 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, 7 and 8 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Conference Room 6, and on Friday, 9 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 15th meeting on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 10 a.m., to continue its consideration of agenda item 87 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East). The Committee will also begin consideration of agenda item 88 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories).

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda items 88, 89 and 90 are kindly urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible with the secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223).

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), beginning on Thursday, 8 November 2001, as follows:

On Thursday, 8 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Kamal Hossain (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan); Mr. Nigel Rodley (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment); and Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967). At 3 p.m.: Mrs. Marie-Thérèse Kéita-Bocoum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi); and Mr. Gerhart R. Baum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan). In addition, the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo will be introduced by the Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights;

On Friday, 9 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Andreas Mavrommatis (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq); Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); and Mr. José Cutileiro (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia). At 3 p.m.: Mr. Abdelfattah Amor (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Francis Deng (Representative of the Secretary-General on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons); and Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food);

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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The 2001 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will take place on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 10 a.m., and on Thursday, 8 November, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Pledging Conference, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950-G; tel.: (212) 963-2320; fax: (212) 963-5935). The list of speakers is open.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.1) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Anita Ng (tel.: (212) 963-5976; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2).

Announcement

Dialogue among Civilizations
(agenda item 25)

In preparation for the debate on agenda item 25 in the General Assembly (Dialogue among civilizations), background information on the United Nations Year of Dialogue among civilizations is available on the Web (http://www.un.org/esa/coordination/rept.htm) and at the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC1-1419C).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ Group *(Second Committee)* on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

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There will be a meeting of the Islamic Group *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 1.15 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(on the Second World Assembly on Ageing)* on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8, and on Thursday, 8 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(on agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))* on Thursday, 8 November 2001, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 97 (a) (Women in development))* on Thursday, 8 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in a Conference Room 7.

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There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Thursday, 8 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors and interested delegations to discuss the draft resolution under agenda item 14 (Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency), organized by the delegation of Australia, on Wednesday, 7 November 2001, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room E.

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Panel discussion

The discussion with human rights Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives and Independent Experts on "Human Rights Challenges and Priorities in the Post-September 11 Era", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, will be held on Friday, 9 November 2001 *(and not on 6 November, as previously announced)*, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The panellists will be Mr. Jean Ziegler, Special Rapporteur on the right to food; Mr. Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar; Mr. Dugard, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967; Mr. Gerhart R. Baum, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan; Ms. Kalliopi Koufa, Special Rapporteur on terrorism and human rights; Mr. José Cutileiro, Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; and Mr. Maurice Copithorne, Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representative of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) (Columbia University) are jointly conducting a Columbia/UNITAR workshop on civil-military coordination in peace-building. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday and Friday, 8 and 9 November 2001 from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373); http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373); and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 5 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4405th meeting

The situation in Liberia

Letter dated 26 October 2001 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1343 (2001) concerning Liberia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2001/1015)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Belgium, Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President, with the consent of the Council, also extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Kishore Mahbubani, Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1343 (2001) concerning Liberia, and to Mr. Ed Tsui, Director of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Kishore Mahbubani, followed by Mr. Martin Chungong Ayafor, Chairman for the Panel of Experts on Liberia.

The Council then heard a briefing by Mr. Ed Tsui.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine, Norway, Colombia, Mali, Mauritius, Bangladesh, France, China, Tunisia, Singapore, the Russian Federation, Ireland, the United Kingdom and the United States, and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of Jamaica.

The Council then heard statements by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Liberia, the representatives of Belgium (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union – Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia - and the associated countries, Cyprus and Malta, which aligned themselves with the statement) and Guinea, and the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sierra Leone.

Mr. Martin Chungong Ayafor and Mr. Kevin Kennedy, Chief of the Humanitarian Emergency Branch of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, responded to comments and questions posed by members of the Council.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

37th plenary meeting

Towards global partnerships: report of the Secretary-General (A/56/323 and Corr.1 (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish only)) [39]

The General Assembly decided to hear the observer of Switzerland in the debate on agenda item 39.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), China, Singapore, the Republic of Korea, Ghana, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), Mexico, India, the Russian Federation, Brazil, Canada, Pakistan and Egypt.

In accordance with the decision taken earlier, the observer of Switzerland made a statement.

The General Assembly was informed that a draft resolution under this item would be submitted at a later date.

Observance of the International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict: draft resolution (A/56/L.8) [171]

The representative of Kuwait made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/56/L.8.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Iraq.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 54/195 of 17 December 1999, the observer for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources made a statement.

By 50 votes to 0, with 34 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted operative paragraph 1 of draft resolution A/56/L.8.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.8 as a whole (resolution 56/4).

The representative of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 171.

Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/56/L.5) [28]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 28.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.5 (resolution 56/5).

The representative of Israel made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 28.

38th plenary meeting

Final review and appraisal of the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: note by the Secretary-General (A/56/270) [22]

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Japan, Senegal, South Africa, Namibia, Ghana, the Republic of Korea, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mexico, Botswana, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), the United States, the Philippines, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, the United Republic of Tanzania and Egypt.

The Assembly was informed that a draft resolution would be submitted under this item at a later date.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 22nd meeting

The Committee continued the third stage of work (action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64 to 84).

The Chairman introduced revised draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.49/Rev.1.

Draft decision A/C.1/56/L.10/Rev.1 was adopted by 140 votes to 1, with zero abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.44/Rev.1 was adopted as follows: operative paragraph 9 was adopted by 132 votes to 3, with 6 abstentions; the draft resolution as a whole was adopted by 90 votes to 35, with 19 abstentions.

Draft decision A/C.1/56/L.60 was adopted by 101 votes to 7, with 34 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.47 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.29 was adopted without a vote.

23rd meeting

The Committee continued the third stage of work (action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64 to 84).

The representative of Japan orally revised draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.35/Rev.1*.

The representative of the Democratic Republic of Congo orally revised draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.2.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.35/Rev.1*, as orally revised, was adopted by 123 votes to 2, with 20 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.8 was adopted by 49 votes to 45, with 39 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.43* was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.2, as orally revised, was adopted without a vote.

SECOND COMMITTEE 22nd meeting

Sectoral policy questions [96]

(a) Business and development

(b) Industrial development cooperation

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Officer-in-Charge of the Division for Public Economics and Public Administration of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, under sub-item (a), and the Special Representative and Assistant Director-General for United Nations Affairs of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, under sub-item (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Belgium (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), Pakistan, Ghana, the Russian Federation, Japan, Togo, Mexico and Nigeria.

Environment and sustainable development [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.10

The representative of Tajikistan introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for Further Implementation of Agenda 21

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.11

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(b) International strategy for disaster reduction

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.12

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and Mexico.

(d) Convention on Biological Diversity

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.9

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced and orally revised the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(g) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005

Introduction to draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.8

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Operational activities for development [99]

(a) Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.13

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.14

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

23rd meeting

Sectoral policy questions [96]

(a) Business and development

(b) Industrial development cooperation

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Ukraine, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Bahamas (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)).

The Committee thus concluded its general consideration of the item.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under sub-item 96 (a) (Business and development) was Tuesday, 6 November at 6 p.m.

At the request of the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under sub-item 96 (b) (Industrial development cooperation) was postponed until Tuesday, 13 November at 6 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE 30th meeting

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.30

The representative of Denmark introduced, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Australia, Greece and Italy, and orally corrected the draft resolution.

Venezuela joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Right of peoples to self-determination [118]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of India, Pakistan, Nigeria, the Syrian Arab Republic and Algeria.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Morocco and Algeria.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the item.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement on the organization of the Committee's work.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 23rd meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Reformulated narrative (Section 8: Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11)

Reformulated narrative (Section 27C: Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10)

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the reformulated narrative for Section 8 (Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11) and Section 27C (Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10).

Statements were made by the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Egypt and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Director and a representative of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [130]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the annual report of that Office (A/56/381) and the reports on the inspection of programme management and administrative practices in the Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention (A/56/83) and on the audit of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees operations in Albania (A/56/128).

Statements were then made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of the Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey), the United States, Saudi Arabia and the Russian Federation.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 18th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Hungary, the United Kingdom, Poland, Australia, Mexico, New Zealand, Guatemala, the Russian Federation, India, Argentina, Cyprus and Romania.

The Observer of Switzerland also made a statement.

The Special Reporter, Mr. P.S. Rao, made a statement.

The Chairman spoke.

19th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

The Chairman of the International Law Commission, Mr. Peter C.R. Kabatsi (Uganda), introduced Chapter VI of the Commission's report dealing with reservations to treaties.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bahrain, China, Italy and the Republic of Korea.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Accession: Tajikistan (19 October 2001)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

TREATY EVENT - MULTILATERAL TREATIES ON TERRORISM (UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS) (10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 10 November to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs promptly to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations are also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 7 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.), including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 7 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

Liberia (S/2001/1025)

Other matters

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 864 (1993) CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

3 p.m. — 37th meeting* (closed) — Conference Room 7

* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately following the meeting.

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Live and archived webcast of the general debate of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly will be available on the General Assembly Web site on the Internet (http://www.un.org/ga/webcast/56).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to dpi@un.int for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 1373 (2001) CONCERNING COUNTER-TERRORISM

3.30 p.m.	9th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 8

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE

9 a.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 4

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, organization of work and allocation of items [8]

(a) Allocation of agenda item 169 (Administration of justice at the United Nations)

(b) Letter from the President of the Economic and Social Council (A/56/517)

10 a.m.	39th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the members of the International Law Commission [16 (a)]

(a) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/56/117 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/56/486 and Corr.1)

(c) Curricula vitae (A/56/124 and Add.1)

2001 PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Opening of the pledging conference
2. Election of officers
3. Statements regarding pledges (A/CONF.196/1, A/CONF.193/2, A/56/70/Add.1-E/2001/58/Add.1, A/56/70/Add.2-E/2001/58/Add.2)
4. Adoption of the report (A/CONF.196/L.1)
5. Closure of the Conference

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [87] (A/56/13 and Add.1, A/56/290, A/56/375, A/56/382, A/56/420, A/56/421, A/56/430, A/55/1021, A/C.4/56/L.8)

   Continuation of rights of reply

2. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88] (A/56/428 and Add.1, A/56/491, A/56/214, A/56/215, A/56/216, A/56/218, A/56/219)

   General debate

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	32nd meeting	Conference Room 1

Advancement of women [112]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.24/Rev.1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [115]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.29

Human rights questions [119] (A/56/118, A/C.3/56/3)

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments (A/56/3 (Suppl., No. 3), A/56/44 (Suppl.), A/56/40 (Suppl., Vol. I and II and Add.1*), A/56/156, A/56/177, A/56/178, A/56/179, A/56/181, A/56/205, A/56/212, A/56/603*)

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

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* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 3

United Nations common system [127] (A/56/30 and A/56/485)

Continuation of general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 130 (Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/56/381, A/56/83, A/56/128 and A/55/436))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 122 (Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001) and 133 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations): Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly: Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.23 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects) (A/C.5/55/46 and Add.1 and A/56/478))

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* Following the adjournment of the 25th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162] (A/56/10 and Corr.1)

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

International Convention against the reproductive cloning of human beings [174]

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* Following the adjournment of the 22nd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
4 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held *today*, 7 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Conference Room 6.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

Informal consultations on agenda item 113

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and the full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and of the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly", chaired by Mr. Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, will be held *today*, 7 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The revised text of the draft has been sent to all delegations.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 7 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 7 November 2001

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(on INSTRAW)

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on the Second World Assembly on Ageing)

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

ISLAMIC GROUP
(at the ambassadorial level)

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

GROUP OF 77
(on the Ministerial Declaration)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda sub-items 97 (c) and (d) (Sustainable development and international economic cooperation))

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

FRENCH WORKSHOP ON THE STRUCTURE, DRAFTING AND ADOPTION OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ *(Second Committee) today*, 7 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

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There will be a meeting of experts of the Third Committee, organized by the delegation of Namibia, *today*, 7 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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There will be meetings of the 2001 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 7 November 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors and interested delegations to discuss the draft resolution under agenda item 14 (Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency), organized by the delegation of Australia, *today*, 7 November 2001, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 8 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m.	40th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	41st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	33rd meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 4

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Thursday, 8 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Conference Room 6, and on Friday, 9 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 9 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), beginning on Thursday, 8 November 2001, as follows:

On Thursday, 8 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Kamal Hossain (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan); Mr. Nigel Rodley (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment); and Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967). At 3 p.m.: Mr. Gerhart R. Baum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan). In addition, the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo will be introduced by the Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights;

On Friday, 9 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Andreas Mavrommatis (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq); Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); and Mr. José Cutileiro (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia); Mrs. Marie-Thérèse Kéita-Bocoum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi). At 3 p.m.: Mr. Abdelfattah Amor (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food); and the report of the Representative of the Secretary-General on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons will be introduced by the Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights;

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal briefing

As a follow-up to commitments made during the humanitarian affairs segment of the Economic and Social Council in July 2001, Mr. Kenzo Oshima, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, will provide an informal briefing on Friday, 9 November 2001, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 8, to the members of the Economic and Social Council and other interested Member States on the humanitarian response to the Afghanistan crisis. Following the briefing, the Director of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs will introduce the Secretary-General's note on "Enhancing the functioning and utilization of the Central Emergency Revolving Fund" (A/55/649), which is being considered under agenda item 20 (a).

Special event

The United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force will be launched by the Secretary-General on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council will be present. This event will be webcasted live on www.unicttaskforce.org.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Interim Task Force Secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-7478).

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.1) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Anita Ng (tel.: (212) 963-5976; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2).

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A list of participants will be prepared for the Conference on the basis of credentials and/or written lists of delegations that are provided to the Secretariat of the Conference. This information should be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(on agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))* on Thursday, 8 November 2001, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on the Second World Assembly on Ageing)* on Thursday, 8 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 97 (a) (Women in development))* on Thursday, 8 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in a Conference Room 7.

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There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. All delegations are invited.

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Panel discussion

The discussion with human rights Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives and Independent Experts on "Human Rights Challenges and Priorities in the Post-September 11 Era", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, will be held on Friday, 9 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The panellists will be Mr. Jean Ziegler, Special Rapporteur on the right to food; Mr. Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar; Mr. John Dugard, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967; Mr. Gerhart R. Baum, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan; Ms. Kalliopi Koufa, Special Rapporteur on terrorism and human rights; Mr. José Cutileiro, Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; and Mr. Maurice Copithorne, Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) (Columbia University) are jointly conducting a Columbia/UNITAR workshop on civil-military coordination in peace-building. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday and Friday, 8 and 9 November 2001 from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Verifying the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT): Capabilities, Progress and Challenges", organized by the delegations of Australia, Canada and Sweden, in cooperation with the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Welcoming remarks will be made by Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, followed by opening statements by representatives of Australia, Canada and Sweden. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "The Legal Dimension of the Changing Landscape of Development", organized by the World Bank, on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Ko-Yung Tung, Vice-President and General Counsel, World Bank, will be the main speaker. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the World Bank (tel.: (212) 986-8306).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373); http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373); and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 6 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 24th meeting

The Committee concluded the third phase of work (action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64 to 84).

Draft resolution A/C.1/56/L.49/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Lebanon, Belgium, Sudan, Chile and Iraq.

The Chairman made a concluding statement.

The Chairman declared the work of the First Committee for the fifty-sixth session closed.

SECOND COMMITTEE 24th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [97]

(a) Women in development

(b) Human resources development

(c) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

(d) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, under sub-item (a), the Director of the Development Policy Analysis Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, under sub-item (d), the Director of the Division for ECOSOC Support and Coordination of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, under sub-item (c), the Director of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Liaison Office in New York and the Principal Advisor and Group Leader of the Social Development Group, Bureau for Development Policy of the United Nations Development Programme, under sub-item (b).

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Belgium (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), the Republic of Korea, Japan, Venezuela, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Israel and Mexico and by the observer for the Holy See.

The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement.

25th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 97 and heard statements by the representatives of Bahrain and Indonesia.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Fund for Agricultural Development and the International Labour Organization.

The Committee thus concluded its general consideration of the item.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under item 97 was Friday, 9 November, at 6 p.m.

Sectoral policy questions: business and development [96 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.18

The representative of the United States introduced the draft resolution.

Environment and sustainable development [98]

(b) International strategy for disaster reduction

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.15

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and Mexico.

(c) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.17

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced and orally revised the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(e) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.16

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced and orally revised the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Organization of work

The Committee decided to cancel its formal meeting scheduled for Thursday, 8 November, in the afternoon, and to hold informal consultations instead.

THIRD COMMITTEE 31st meeting

Human rights questions [119]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an address by the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the High Commissioner in which the representatives of the Russian Federation, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Croatia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Egypt, Cuba, Morocco, Suriname, the Sudan, Mexico, India and Rwanda took part.

Implementation of human rights instruments [119 (a)]

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-item and heard an introductory statement by the Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina and China.

Organization of work

The Chairman announced that the Committee would take action on the following draft proposals on Thursday, 8 November, at 3 p.m.: under agenda item 109: A/C.3/56/L.6/Rev.1; under agenda item 115: A/C.3/56/L.29; and under agenda item 116: A/C.3/56/L.30.

The Committee was reminded that, in accordance with the agreement reached at its 3rd meeting, on 8 October, meetings would be held during the week of 12 November, during the general debate of the General Assembly, on the understanding that no action would be taken during that week.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 24th meeting

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [130]

The Committee continued its general discussion of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Qatar, Iraq, the United Republic of Tanzania, Japan, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United States and Cuba.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on, Wednesday, 7 November 2001, in the morning, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, under the chairmanship of Mr. Collen Vixen Kelapile (Botswana).

United Nations common system [127]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission introduced the report of that Commission (A/56/30).

A representative of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2001 (A/56/485).

The representative of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta, Norway and Turkey) made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 20th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Mali, France, Poland and Israel.

The Chairman spoke.

21st meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Hungary, Greece and Israel.

The Special Rapporteur, Professor Alain Pellet, made a statement.

The Chairman spoke.

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Corrigendum to the summary of the 18th meeting of the Sixth Committee (see *Journal* No. 2001/214, p. 14): the third paragraph under agenda item 162 should read as follows:

The Special Rapporteur, Mr. P.S. Rao, made a statement.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Signature: Tajikistan (6 November 2001)

International Cocoa Agreement, 2001. Geneva, 2 March 2001

Signature: Côte d'Ivoire (6 November 2001)

TREATY EVENT - MULTILATERAL TREATIES ON TERRORISM (UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS) (10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 10 November to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs promptly to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations are also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 7 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.), including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DPI/NGO Briefing

The topic of this week's DPI/NGO Briefing will be "Financing for Development: Preparations for the International Conference in Monterrey, Mexico". The briefing will be held on Thursday, 8 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. at Labouisse Hall, UNICEF House (3 United Nations Plaza). The briefings are organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI). Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and the media are also invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Oleg Dzioubinski, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel.: (212) 963-1859).

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 8 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

9.30 a.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1998) and 1244 (1999)

Other matters

Morning* 4406th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1998) and 1244 (1999)

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* To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

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FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Live and archived webcast of the general debate of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly will be available on the General Assembly Web site (http://www.un.org/ga/webcast/56).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to dpi@un.int for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Morning*	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Sierra Leone

Special Court for Sierra Leone

UNAMSIL

Other matters

3 p.m.	4407th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Burundi

Afternoon**	4408th (closed) meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Burundi

Afternoon***	4409th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Burundi

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* To be held following the adjournment of the 4406th meeting.

** To be held following the adjournment of the 4407th meeting.

*** To be held following the adjournment of the 4408th (closed) meeting.

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

3.30 p.m.	226th meeting* (closed)	Conference Room 7

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* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately after the meeting. Following the oral briefing to members of the United Nations, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m.	40th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	41st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 2

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88] (A/56/428 and Add.1, A/56/491, A/56/214, A/56/215, A/56/216, A/56/218, A/56/219, A/C.4/56/L.14-L.18)

General debate

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.18 (item 96 (a))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.15 (item 98 (b)), A/C.2/56/L.17 (item 98 (c)) and A/C.2/56/L.16 (item 98 (e))

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	33rd meeting	Conference Room 1

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)] (A/56/212, A/56/230, A/56/207/Add.1, A/56/263, A/56/207, A/56/256, A/56/204, A/56/310, A/56/271, A/56/190, A/56/341, A/56/253, A/56/258, A/56/168, A/56/344, A/56/255, A/56/334, A/56/254 and Add.1, A/56/292, A/56/209)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)] (A/56/460, A/56/312, A/56/340, A/56/336, A/56/337, A/56/327, A/56/409 and Add.1, A/56/281, A/56/278, A/56/217, A/56/479, A/56/440, A/56/220, A/56/505, A/56/210, A/C.3/56/4*, A/C.3/ 56/7*)

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)] (A/56/36 and Add.1)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)] (A/56/36 and Add.1)

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan

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* To be issued.

Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteurs

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 1

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing [109]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.6/Rev.1 and programme budget implications as contained in document A/C.3/56/L.19

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous people [116]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.30

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)] (A/56/212, A/56/230, A/56/207/Add.1, A/56/263, A/56/207, A/56/256, A/56/204, A/56/310, A/56/271, A/56/190, A/56/341, A/56/253, A/56/258, A/56/168, A/56/344, A/56/255, A/56/334, A/56/254 and Add.1, A/56/292, A/56/209)

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Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan

Statement on behalf of:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

(To be presented by the representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur and the representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

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* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 3

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

Reformulated narrative (Section 8: Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11/Rev.1)

Reformulated narrative (Section 27C: Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1)

Continuation of general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Pattern of conferences (A/56/32, A/56/120/Rev.1, A/56/133, A/56/188, A/56/213 and Corr.1, A/56/261, A/56/277, A/56/293, A/56/299, A/56/300, A/56/339, A/AC.198/2001/8 and A/56/475))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003):

Part V: Regional cooperation for development *(continued)*:

Section 19: Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean

Section 20: Economic and social development in Western Asia

Section 21: Regular programme of technical cooperation

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Sections 19-21), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part VI: Human rights and humanitarian affairs:

Section 22: Human rights

Section 23: Protection of and assistance to refugees

Section 24: Palestine refugees

Section 25: Humanitarian assistance

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Sections 22-25), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

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* Following the adjournment of the 26th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel [167]

3 p.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [165] (A/C.6/56/L.6/Rev.1 and A/C.6/56/L.14)

Afternoon**-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

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* Folowing the adjournment of the informal consultations.

** Following the adjournment of the 23rd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held *today*, 8 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Conference Room 6.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, 8 November 2001, there will be a meeting of interested delegations on a draft proposal, as follows:

Conference Room 6: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), immediately following the informal consultations of the Second Committee.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for this consultation.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 8 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

Announcement

The debate on agenda item 25 in the General Assembly (United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations) will be webcast live on the Internet at the following address: http://www.un.org/webcast/ ga/yeardac/. The official Web site for the United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations, with current and background information and documentation, can be found at http://www. un.org/Dialogue/ with links to each of the versions of the five other official language versions.

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GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 97 (b) (Human resource development))

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on the Second World Assembly on Ageing)

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

WORKING GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

1.15 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 97 (a) (Women in development))

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

ISLAMIC GROUP
(at the ambassadorial level)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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There will be a meeting of the Mason Group *today*, 8 November 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be a meeting of the African Group of the Least Developed Countries, organized by the delegation of Benin, *today*, 8 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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There will be meetings of the 2001 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 8 November 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Informal meeting

There will be an informal consultation meeting of the Member States and dialogue partners of the Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Cooperation (IOR-ARC), organized by the delegation of Oman, *today*, 8 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) (Columbia University) are jointly conducting a Columbia/UNITAR workshop on civil-military coordination in peace-building. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held *today* and *tomorrow*, 8 and 9 November 2001 from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 9 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m.	42nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

3 p.m.	43rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, organization of work and allocation of items: third report of the General Committee (A/56/250/Add.2) [8]

2. United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	26th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

* Following the adjournment of the 26th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	36th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 4

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Friday, 9 November, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held on Friday, 9 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

There will be informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.20 (item 98), on Friday, 9 November 2001, in Conference Room 6, immediately following the adjournment of the 26th meeting of the Second Committee, in the morning.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), as follows:

On Friday, 9 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Andreas Mavrommatis (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq); Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); and Mr. José Cutileiro (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia); Mrs. Marie-Thérèse Kéita-Bocoum (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi). At 3 p.m.: Mr. Abdelfattah Amor (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food); and the report of the Representative of the Secretary-General on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons will be introduced by the Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights;

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal briefing

As a follow-up to commitments made during the humanitarian affairs segment of the Economic and Social Council in July 2001, Mr. Kenzo Oshima, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, will provide an informal briefing on Friday, 9 November 2001, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 8, to the members of the Economic and Social Council and other interested Member States on the humanitarian response to the Afghanistan crisis. Following the briefing, the Director of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs will introduce the Secretary-General's note on "Enhancing the functioning and utilization of the Central Emergency Revolving Fund" (A/55/649), which is being considered under agenda item 20 (a).

Special event

The United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force will be launched by the Secretary-General on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council will be present. This event will be webcasted live on www.unicttaskforce.org.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Interim Task Force Secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-7478).

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.1) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Anita Ng (tel.: (212) 963-5976; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2).

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A list of participants will be prepared for the Conference on the basis of credentials and/or written lists of delegations that are provided to the Secretariat of the Conference. This information should be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the
Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. All delegations are invited.

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Panel discussion

The discussion with human rights Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives and Independent Experts on "Human Rights Challenges and Priorities in the Post-September 11 Era", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, will be held on Friday, 9 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The panellists will be Mr. Gerhart R. Baum, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan; Mr. Maurice Copithorne, Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran; Mr. José Cutileiro, Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; Mr. John Dugard, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967; Ms. Kalliopi Koufa, Special Rapporteur on terrorism and human rights; Mr. Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar; and Mr. Jean Ziegler, Special Rapporteur on the right to food.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Verifying the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT): Capabilities, Progress and Challenges", organized by the delegations of Australia, Canada and Sweden, in cooperation with the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Welcoming remarks will be made by Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, followed by opening statements by representatives of Australia, Canada and Sweden. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "The Legal Dimension of the Changing Landscape of Development", organized by the World Bank, on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Ko-Yung Tung, Vice-President and General Counsel, World Bank, will be the main speaker. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the World Bank (tel.: (212) 986-8306).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373; http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373; and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 7 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

GENERAL COMMITTEE 5th meeting

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, organization of work and allocation of items [8]

(a) Allocation of agenda item 169 (Administration of justice and the United Nations)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that item 169 (Administration of justice at the United Nations) should be allocated to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that any decision requiring amending the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal or relating to the establishment of a higher-level jurisdiction would be subject to the advice of the Sixth Committee.

(b) Letter from the President of the Economic and Social Council (A/56/517)

The Chairman recalled that the General Assembly, at its 3rd plenary meeting on 19 September 2001, had decided, with regard to agenda item 12 (Report of the Economic and Social Council), that various chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council be referred to the plenary and to the Second, Third and Fifth Committees.

The representative of Portugal made a statement.

The General Committee decided, in light of a request contained in a letter dated 26 October 2001 from the President of the Economic and Social Council to the President of the General Assembly (A/56/517), to recommend to the General Assembly that the report of the Economic and Social Council, as a whole, be considered directly in plenary meeting, with the understanding that the Second, Third and Fifth Committees would remain seized of the chapters already referred to them for their usual consideration.

39th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 39th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2001/217).

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 15th meeting

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [87]

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic, Israel and Jordan.

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88]

The Committee began its general debate on this agenda item with introduction of the report (A/56/491) by the representative of Sri Lanka, Chairman of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories. The Committee then heard statements from the representatives of Jordan, Egypt, Malaysia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lebanon, Algeria, the Syrian Arab Republic and Bangladesh.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to close its list of speakers in the general debate on item 88 the same day (7 November) at 6 p.m.

Organization of work

The Chairman reminded delegations that the Committee would take action on all draft proposals concerning agenda items 87 and 88 on Friday, 9 November 2001, in the morning.

THIRD COMMITTEE 32nd meeting

Implementation of human rights instruments [119 (a)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union, as well as Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey), Mongolia, Ukraine, Yemen, Liechtenstein, the Republic of Korea, Colombia, New Zealand (also on behalf of Canada, as well as Norway and Chile), Latvia, Nigeria, Eritrea, Ethiopia and the Dominican Republic.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Labour Organization.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda sub-item 119 (a).

Advancement of women [112]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.24/Rev.1

The representative of Mongolia, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Malaysia and the United Republic of Tanzania, introduced and orally corrected the draft resolution. Subsequently, Angola and Zambia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [115]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.29

The representative of Namibia introduced, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Brazil, Cameroon, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, the Gambia, Iceland, Jamaica, Malta, Spain, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago and Ukraine, the draft resolution. Subsequently, Armenia, Cambodia, France, Ghana, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines and Togo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement on the organization of work.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 25th meeting

United Nations common system [127] *(A/56/30 and A/56/485)*

The Committee continued its general discussion of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Chile (on behalf of the Rio Group) and Argentina.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic also made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 35/213, the President of the Coordinating Committee for International Staff Unions and Associations of the United Nations System (CCISUA) and the President of the Federation of International Civil Servants' Associations (FICSA) made statements.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 22nd meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Guatemala, South Africa (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), Norway (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Bahrain, China, the Netherlands, Japan, Venezuela, Greece, the Russian Federation and Kenya.

The Chairman spoke.

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Corrigendum to the summary of the 20th meeting of the Sixth Committee (see *Journal* No. 2001/215, p. 12): the first paragraph under agenda item 162 should read as follows:

Statements were made by the representatives of Mali, France, Poland, Israel and Guatemala.

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2001 PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES 1st meeting

Opening of the Pledging Conference

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs opened the 2001 Pledging Conference for Development Activities and read out a statement on behalf of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Election of the President

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs invited the Conference to proceed to the election of the President.

H.E. Mr. Matia Mulumba Semakula Kiwanuka (Uganda) was elected as President of the 2001 Pledging Conference for Development Activities.

Statements regarding the pledges

Statements were made and pledges announced by members of the Conference.

Adoption of the report

The Conference adopted its draft report contained in document A/CONF.196/L.1.

Closure of the Conference

The Director, Bureau for Resources and Strategic Partnerships, United Nations Development Programme, the Chief, Executive Board Branch, United Nations Population Fund and the Director of the United Nations Affairs and External Relations, United Nations Children's Fund made concluding statements.

The President made a statement and declared the 2001 Pledging Conference for Development Activities closed.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. New York, 7 March 1966

Declaration under article 14 of the Convention: Monaco (6 November 2001)*

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization. London, 4 November 1993

Acceptance: Papua New Guinea (7 November 2001)*

Entry into force of the Amendments: 7 November 2002, in accordance with article 62 of the Convention, as amended

TREATY EVENT - MULTILATERAL TREATIES ON TERRORISM
(UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS)
(10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 10 November to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs promptly to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations were also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 7 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.), including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DPI/NGO Briefing

The topic of this week's DPI/NGO Briefing will be "Financing for Development: Preparations for the International Conference in Monterrey, Mexico". The briefing will be held *today*, 8 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. at Labouisse Hall, UNICEF House (3 United Nations Plaza). The briefings are organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI). Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and the media are also invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Oleg Dzioubinski, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel.: (212) 963-1859).

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 8 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 9 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1998) and 1244 (1999)

Other matters

11.15 a.m. (sharp) 4409th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

(continued overleaf)

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Live and archived Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly will be available on the General Assembly Web site (http://www.un.org/ga/webcast/56).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to dpi@un.int for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Morning*	4410th (closed) meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Morning**	4411th meeting	Security Council Chamber

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* To be held following the 4409th meeting.

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MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	1470th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m.	42nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

3 p.m.	43rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, organization of work and allocation of items: third report of the General Committee (A/56/250/Add.2) [8]
2. United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [87]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.7 to L.13

2. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.14 to L.18

3. Organization of work

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	26th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Environment and sustainable development [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.20

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.20 (item 98)

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* Following the adjournment of the 26th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 1

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)] (A/56/168, A/56/190, A/56/204, A/56/207 and Add.1, A/56/209, A/56/212, A/56/230, A/56/253, A/56/254 and Add.1, A/56/255, A/56/256, A/56/258, A/56/263, A/56/271, A/56/292, A/56/310, A/56/334, A/56/341, A/56/344)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)] (A/C.3/56/4, A/C.3/56/7*, A/56/210, A/56/217, A/56/220, A/56/278, A/56/281, A/56/312, A/56/327, A/56/336, A/56/337, A/56/340, A/56/409 and Add.1, A/56/440, A/56/460, A/56/479, A/56/505)

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)] (A/56/36 and Add.1)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)] (A/56/36 and Add.1)

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar

Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representative

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	36th meeting	Conference Room 1

Rights of peoples to self-determination [118]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.33

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)] (A/56/168, A/56/190, A/56/204, A/56/207 and Add.1, A/56/209, A/56/212, A/56/230, A/56/253, A/56/254 and Add.1, A/56/255, A/56/256, A/56/258, A/56/263, A/56/271, A/56/292, A/56/310, A/56/334, A/56/341, A/56/344)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)] (A/C.3/56/4, A/C.3/56/7*, A/56/210, A/56/217, A/56/220, A/56/278, A/56/281, A/56/312, A/56/327, A/56/336, A/56/337, A/56/340, A/56/409 and Add.1, A/56/440, A/56/460, A/56/479, A/56/505)

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* To be issued.

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief

Special Rapporteur on the right to food

Statement on behalf of:

Representative of the Secretary-General on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons

(To be presented by the representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteurs

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 3

United Nations common system [127] (A/56/30 and A/56/485)

Conclusion of general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003):

Part VI: Human rights and humanitarian affairs *(continued)*:

Section 23: Protection of and assistance to refugees

Section 24: Palestine refugees

Section 25: Humanitarian assistance

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Sections 22-25), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003):

Part VII: Public Information (Section 26)

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 26), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part VIII: Common support services (Section 27, A to G)

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 27, sub-items A to G, A/56/7; A/56/16 and A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1)

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* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [159] (A/C.6/56/L.13)

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [163] (A/56/26, A/C.6/56/L.15)

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-fourth session [161] (A/C.6/56/L.8, A/C.6/56/L.10, A/C.6/56/L.11, A/C.6/56/L.12)

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [165]

Action on draft proposals A/C.6/56/L.6/Rev.1 and L.14)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held *today*, 9 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held *today*, 9 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, Friday, 9 November 2001, there will be meetings of interested delegations on draft proposals as follows:

Conference Room C-209B: A/C.2/56/L.4 (item 100), from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.;

Trusteeship Council Chamber: A/C.2/56/L.11 (Programme budget implications: A/C.2/56/L.19) (item 98 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Conference Room C: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for this consultation.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 9 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal briefing

As a follow-up to commitments made during the humanitarian affairs segment of the Economic and Social Council in July 2001, Mr. Kenzo Oshima, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, will provide an informal briefing *today*, 9 November 2001, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 8, to the members of the Economic and Social Council and other interested Member States on the humanitarian response to the Afghanistan crisis. Following the briefing, the Director of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs will introduce the Secretary-General's note on "Enhancing the functioning and utilization of the Central Emergency Revolving Fund" (A/55/649), which is being considered under agenda item 20 (a).

Announcement

The debate on agenda item 25 in the General Assembly (United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations) will be Webcast live on the Internet at the following address: http://www.un.org/webcast/ ga/yeardac/. The official Web site for the United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations, with current and background information and documentation, can be found at http://www. un.org/Dialogue/ with links to each of the versions of the five other official language versions.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 9 November 2001

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 100 (International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues (A/C.2/56/L.4)))

10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 95 (c) (Science and technology for development))

11.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(Briefing by the Facilitator of the Preparatory Committee of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

2 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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There will be meetings of the 2001 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 9 November 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) (Columbia University) are jointly conducting a Columbia/UNITAR workshop on civil-military coordination in peace-building. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held *today*, 9 November 2001 from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Panel discussion

The discussion with human rights Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives and Independent Experts on "Human Rights Challenges and Priorities in the Post-September 11 Era", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, will be held *today*, 9 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The panellists will be Ms. Kalliopi Koufa, Special Rapporteur on terrorism and human rights; Mr. Maurice Copithorne, Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran; Mr. José Cutileiro, Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; Mr. John Dugard, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967; Mr. Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar; and Mr. Jean Ziegler, Special Rapporteur on the right to food.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Saturday, 10 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

9 a.m. 44th PLENARY MEETING* General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fernando Henrique Cardoso, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa
4. Address by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vicente Fox, President of the United Mexican States
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Batlle Ibáñez, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fernando de la Rúa, President of the Argentine Republic
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Republic of Venezuela
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ricardo Lagos, President of the Republic of Chile
10. Address by His Excellency Mr. Sayed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran
11. Opening of the general debate [9]:

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Lee Han-dong, Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea

    Belgium

    Ukraine

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* The Secretary-General will make a statement at the outset of the 44th plenary meeting.

3 p.m. 45th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency General Pervez Musharraf, President and Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alejandro Toledo Manrique, President of the Republic of Peru
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Milan Kucan, President of the Republic of Slovenia
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Quiroga Ramírez, President of the Republic of Bolivia
6. Address by His Excellency Dr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia

7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ion Iliescu, President of Romania

8. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Percival James Patterson, MP, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence of Jamaica

Address by His Excellency Mr. Alhaji Aliu Mahama, Vice-President of the Republic of Ghana

France

Andorra

Canada

Zimbabwe

Honduras

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships), organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) will be held on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Friday, 16 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room B, and on Monday, 19 November, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), as follows:

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Special event

The United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force will be launched by the Secretary-General on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council will be present. This event will be webcasted live on www.unicttaskforce.org.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Interim Task Force Secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-5796).

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.2) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Anita Ng (tel.: (212) 963-5976; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2). Credentials may be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

A list of participants will be prepared for the Conference on the basis of credentials and/or written lists of delegations that are provided to the Secretariat of the Conference. This information should be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general exchange of views, in one of the official languages of the Conference, to dpi@un.int for posting on the Conference Web site.

Archived Webcast of the proceeding of the Conference will be available (starting on Monday, 26 November) on the Conference Web site on the Internet.

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There will be a meeting of the Islamic Group on Monday, 12 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the State Members of the League of Arab States on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement will take place on Wednesday, 14 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. All delegations are invited.

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Seminar

Due to scheduling conflicts, the seminar on "The Legal Dimension of the Changing Landscape of Development", organized by the World Bank, scheduled for Monday, 12 November 2001, has been postponed until further notice.

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Verifying the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT): Capabilities, Progress and Challenges", organized by the delegations of Australia, Canada and Sweden, in cooperation with the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Welcoming remarks will be made by Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, followed by opening statements by representatives of Australia, Canada and Sweden. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373; http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373; and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 7 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

39th plenary meeting

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the members of the International Law Commission [16 (a)]

(a) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/56/117 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/56/486 and Corr.1)

(c) Curricula vitae (A/56/124 and Add.1)

On the first round of balloting, the following persons, having obtained the required majority and having received the greatest number of votes, were elected members of the International Law Commission for a five-year term beginning on 1 January 2002:

Mr. Emmanuel Akwei Addo (Ghana)
Mr. Husain M. Al-Baharna (Bahrain)
Mr. Ali Mohsen Fetais Al-Marri (Qatar)
Mr. João Clemente Baena Soares (Brazil)
Mr. Ian Brownlie (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)
Mr. Enrique J. A. Candioti (Argentina)
Mr. Choung Il Chee (Republic of Korea)
Mr. Pedro Comissario Afonso (Mozambique)
Mr. Riad Daoudi (Syrian Arab Republic)
Mr. Christopher John Dugard (South Africa)
Ms. Paula Escarameia (Portugal)
Mr. Salifou Fomba (Mali)
Mr. Giorgio Gaja (Italy)
Mr. Zdzislaw W. Galicki (Poland)
Ms. Xue Hanqin (China)
Mr. Adegoke Ajibola Ige (Nigeria)
Mr. Maurice Kamto (Cameroon)
Mr. James L. Kateka (United Republic of Tanzania)
Mr. Fathi Kemicha (Tunisia)
Mr. Martti Koskenniemi (Finland)
Mr. Valery Kuznetsov (Russian Federation)
Mr. William Mansfield (New Zealand)
Mr. Bernd H. Niehaus (Costa Rica)
Mr. Didier Opertti Badan (Uruguay)
Mr. Guillaume Pambou-Tchivounda (Gabon)
Mr. Alain Pellet (France)
Mr. Pemmaraju Sreenivasa Rao (India)
Mr. Victor Rodríguez-Cedeño (Venezuela)
Mr. Robert Rosenstock (United States of America)
Mr. Bernardo Sepúlveda (Mexico)
Mr. Bruno Simma (Germany)
Mr. Peter Tomka (Slovakia)
Mr. Chusei Yamada (Japan)

Since two candidates have received an equal number of votes for a remaining seat to be filled from among Asian States, the General Assembly proceeded to a special round of balloting restricted to those two candidates.

The results of the second round of balloting (first restricted) were as follows:

	Votes
Mr. Djamchid Momtaz (Islamic Republic of Iran)	89
Mr. Kriangsak Kittichaisaree (Thailand)	85

Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Djamchid Momtaz (Islamic Republic of Iran) was elected a member of the International Law Commission for a five-year term beginning on 1 January 2002.

The General Assembly concluded its consideration of agenda item 16 (a).

Thursday, 8 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4406th meeting

The situation in Burundi

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uganda, Chairman of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi; the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Burundi; the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; the Permanent Representative of Ethiopia; the Permanent Representative of Gabon; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ghana; the Permanent Representative of Kenya; the Deputy Permanent Representative of Nigeria; the Special Envoy to the President of Rwanda; the Permanent Representative of Senegal; the Permanent Representative of South Africa; the Min-

ister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania; and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zambia at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Berhanu Dinka, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region and Chairman of the Implementation Monitoring Committee and Mr. Amadou Kebe, Permanent Observer of the Organization of the African Unity/African Union.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

A statement was made by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region and Chairman of the Implementation Monitoring Committee.

A statement was made by the Chairman of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi.

The President made a statement.

4407th (private) meeting

The situation in Burundi

The Security Council met in private. The following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4407th meeting, held in private on 8 November 2001 at 3.50 p.m., the Security Council continued its consideration of the situation in Burundi.

"The President extended invitations in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rules 37 and 39 of its provisional rules of procedure, as appropriate, to the members of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi, as well as the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region and Chairman of the Implementation Monitoring Committee and the Permanent Observer of the Organization of the African Unity/African Union.

"The members of the Council and the members of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi had a frank and constructive discussion."

4408th meeting

The situation in Burundi

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2001/33).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

40th plenary meeting

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

The General Assembly decided to hear the observers of the Holy See and Switzerland in the debate on agenda item 25.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Belkhadem, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Algeria, and by the representatives of China, India, Kuwait, Burkina Faso, Singapore, Egypt, Belarus, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Morocco, Yemen, Chile, Kazakhstan, the Russian Federation, Mongolia and Ukraine.

41st plenary meeting

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilization [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

Statements were made by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, Cyprus, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Qatar, Bhutan, Norway, Mexico, Israel, Armenia and Indonesia.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 16th meeting

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88]

The Committee concluded its general debate on this item with statements by the representatives of Ghana, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Arab Emirates, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Pakistan, Brunei Darussalam, Kuwait, Bahrain, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, and the associated countries, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey), Tunisia, Yemen, Israel, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

The observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representative of Iraq, the observer of Palestine and by the representtives of Kuwait, Malaysia and Israel.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew attention to the draft resolutions relating to agenda items 87 (A/C.4/56/L.7 to L.13) and 88 (A/C.4/56/L.14 to L.18), on which the Committee would take action at its next meeting on Friday, 9 November, in the morning.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 33rd meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)]

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)]

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)]

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)]

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-items.

The Director of the New York Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights made an introductory statement.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan, in which the representatives of the Russian Federation, Liechtenstein, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya took part.

The Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in which the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Liechtenstein, Singapore, Australia and Senegal took part.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 in which the observer for Palestine and the representatives of Egypt, Israel, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Qatar and Jordan took part.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement on the organization of the Committee's work.

34th meeting

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/L.6/Rev.1 and programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/56/L.19

The Secretary read out the oral revision that had been made to the text when the draft resolution was introduced.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement in which he announced that Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Spain and Sweden had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently, Andorra, Belarus, Croatia, Monaco, Norway, Portugal, Russian Federation, San Marino, Ukraine and Viet Nam joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Following the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Australia (also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand) and Japan.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.30

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary of the Committee read out the correction that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

The representative of Denmark announced that Armenia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic and Nicaragua had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 116.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)]

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)]

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)]

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)]

An introductory statement was made by the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan in which the representatives of Sudan, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United States, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Cuba, Malaysia, the Russian Federation, Morocco, Chad and the Islamic Republic of Iran took part.

The representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights introduced the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, Rwanda and Belgium (on behalf of the European Union).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 26th meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Reformulated narrative (Section 8: Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11/Rev.1)

Reformulated narrative (Section 27C: Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1)

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the revised reformulated narratives for Section 8 (Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11/Rev.1) and Section 27C (Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1).

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The representative of Portugal, in his capacity as coordinator of informal consultations on this agenda item, made a statement.

Following a statement by the Chairman, statements were made by the representatives of Algeria and Canada.

The Chairman made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 23rd meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [165]

The representative of Egypt introduced draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.14.

The representative of the Ukraine introduced the revised draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.6/Rev.1.

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Bahrain, France, Mexico, Haiti and Italy. The Chairman spoke.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles. Geneva, 25 June 1998

Accession: Slovakia (7 November 2001)*

TREATY EVENT - MULTILATERAL TREATIES ON TERRORISM (UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS) (10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 10 November to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs promptly to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations were also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 7 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.), including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special event on the occasion of the United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations

Today, 9 November 2001, at 12 noon, immediately following the adjournment of the 42nd plenary meeting of the General Assembly, a special event will take place in the General Assembly Hall, to hear statements by members of a group of eminent persons appointed by the Secretary-General on the occasion of the United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations, as well as H.E. Mr. Ahmad Jalali, President of UNESCO's General Conference. Statements will be made by the following seven eminent persons:

Dr. A. Kamal Aboulmagd (Egypt), Professor of Public Law, Cairo University, and Judge of the World Bank Administrative Tribunal;

Dr. Lourdes Arizpe (Mexico), Professor at the National University of Mexico, Vice-President for the International Social Science Council (ISSC), former Assistant Director-General for Culture at UNESCO;

Dr. Ruth Cardoso (Brazil), President, Comunidade Solidaria, and member of the Board of the United Nations Foundation;

Dr. Nadine Gordimer (South Africa), Author and Nobel laureate for literature;

Professor Sergey Kapitza (Russian Federation), Kapitza Institute for Physical Problems, Russian Academy of Sciences, and Professor of Physics at the Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology;

Dr. Hans Küng (Switzerland), Professor of Ecumenical Theology, University of Tübingen, President of the Foundation for a Global Ethic (Weltethos);

Dr. Javad Zarif (Islamic Republic of Iran), Professor of International Law, Teheran University, and Deputy Foreign Minister; and

H.E. Mr. Ahmad Jalali, President of UNESCO's General Conference.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 10 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

9 a.m. 44th PLENARY MEETING* General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fernando Henrique Cardoso, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa
4. Address by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vicente Fox, President of the United Mexican States
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Batlle Ibáñez, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fernando de la Rúa, President of the Argentine Republic
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ricardo Lagos, President of the Republic of Chile
10. Address by His Excellency Mr. Sayed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran
11. Opening of the general debate [9]:

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Lee Han-dong, Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea

    Belgium

    Ukraine

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* The Secretary-General will make a statement at the outset of the 44th plenary meeting.

3 p.m. **45th PLENARY MEETING** General Assembly Hall

1. **Address by His Excellency General Pervez Musharraf, President and Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan**

2. **Address by His Excellency Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia**

3. **Address by His Excellency Mr. Alejandro Toledo Manrique, President of the Republic of Peru**

4. **Address by His Excellency Mr. Milan Kucan, President of the Republic of Slovenia**

5. **Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Quiroga Ramírez, President of the Republic of Bolivia**

6. **Address by His Excellency Dr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia**

7. **Address by His Excellency Mr. Ion Iliescu, President of Romania**

8. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Percival James Patterson, MP, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence of Jamaica

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Alhaji Aliu Mahama, Vice-President of the Republic of Ghana

   France

   Andorra

   Canada

   Zimbabwe

   Honduras

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

Live and archived Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly will be available on the General Assembly Web site (http://www.un.org/webcast/ga/56).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to dpi@un.int for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Sunday, 11 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

9 a.m. 46th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Stjepan Mesic, President of the Republic of Croatia
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luis Ángel González Macchi, President of the Republic of Paraguay
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda
5. Address by His Excellency Général-Major Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
6. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Zlatko Lagumdzija, Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina

   China

   United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

   Finland

   Italy

   Saudi Arabia

   Spain

   Palestine, address by His Excellency Mr. Yasser Arafat

3 p.m. 47th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alfonso Portillo Cabrera, President of the Republic of Guatemala
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Didier Ratsiraka, President of the Republic of Madagascar
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Independent State of Samoa

   Address by His Excellency Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Acting Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait

   Address by His Serene Highness Crown Prince Albert, Crown Prince of the Principality of Monaco

   Japan

   Norway

   Mauritania

Portugal

Ecuador

Algeria

Cambodia

Oman

Côte d'Ivoire

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships), organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) will be held on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Friday, 16 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room B, and on Monday, 19 November, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its eighteenth meeting on Monday, 19 November 2001, at 3 p.m., to begin consideration of agenda item 90 (Questions relating to information).

Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on agenda item 90, as well as in discussions on the other remaining item, item 89 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects), are kindly urged to inscribe their names as soon as possible on the list of speakers with the secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223).

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), as follows:

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Special event

The United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force will be launched by the Secretary-General on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council will be present. This event will be webcasted live on www.unicttaskforce.org.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Interim Task Force Secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-5796).

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.2) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Anita Ng (tel.: (212) 963-5976; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2). Credentials may be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

A list of participants will be prepared for the Conference on the basis of credentials and/or written lists of delegations that are provided to the Secretariat of the Conference. This information should be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general exchange of views, in one of the official languages of the Conference, to dpi@un.int for posting on the Conference Web site.

Archived Webcast of the proceeding of the Conference will be available (starting on Monday, 26 November) on the Conference Web site on the Internet.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

The announcements in this section are reproduced as received. The designations employed do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the Secretariat of the United Nations.

The Ministerial Meeting of the Central Organ of the OAU Mechanism for Conflict Prevention, Management and Resolution will be held on Sunday, 11 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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There will be a meeting of the Islamic Group on Monday, 12 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 95 (c) (Science and technology for development))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. the Economic and Social Council.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 96 (b) (Industrial development cooperation))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(on agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on the Ministerial Declaration)* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the State Members of the League of Arab States on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement will take place on Wednesday, 14 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. All delegations are invited.

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Verifying the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT): Capabilities, Progress and Challenges", organized by the delegations of Australia, Canada and Sweden, in cooperation with the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Welcoming remarks will be made by Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, followed by opening statements by representatives of Australia, Canada and Sweden. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373; http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373; and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 9 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4409th meeting

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2001/34).

4410th meeting

The situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Minister for External Relations of Angola, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Burundi, the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Information and Broadcasting of Namibia, the Special Envoy of the President of Rwanda, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uganda, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zambia, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zimbabwe at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Amadou Kébé, Permanent Observer of the Organization of African Unity/African Union, and Mr. Archibald M. Mogwe, Representative of the Facilitator for the Inter-Congolese Dialogue, and to Mr, A. Namanga Ngongi, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Democratic Republic of the Congo.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. O. Kamitatu, Representative for the Movement for the Liberation of the Congo (MLC), and Mr. Pashi-Claver, Representative for the Congolese Rally for Democracy-Kisangani (RCD-K), and to Mr. Azaria Ruberwa, Secretary-General for the Congolese Rally for Democracy-Goma (RCD-Goma).

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

A statement was made by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Angola and current Chairman of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement.

The President made a statement.

4411th (private) meeting

The situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The Security Council met in private. The following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4411th meeting, held in private on 9 November 2001 at 12.15 p.m., the Security Council continued its consideration of the situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

"The President extended invitations in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rules 37 and 39 of its provisional rules of procedure, as appropriate, to the members of the Political Committee of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement, Burundi and Zambia, as well as the Permanent Observer to the Organisation of African Unity/African Union, and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

"The members of the Council and the members of the Political Committee of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement had a frank and constructive discussion."

4412th meeting

The situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Belgium, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2001/1058, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The representative of Belgium (speaking on behalf of the European Union and the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia – as well as the associated countries, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey, which aligned themselves with the statement) made a statement.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2001/1058) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2001/1058) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1376 (2001).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

42nd plenary meeting

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Sayed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran; H.E. Mr. Wolfgang Schüssel, Federal Chancellor of Austria; H.E. Mr. Zlatko Lagumdzija, Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina; H.E. Mr. Louis Michel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey); H.E. Mrs. Lila Ratsifandriamanana, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Madagascar; H.E. Mr. Mustafa Osman Ismail, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan; and H.E. Mr. Roberto Rojas López, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica.

43rd plenary meeting

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, organization of work and allocation of items: third report of the General Committee (A/56/250/Add.2) [8]

The General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to allocate agenda item 169 (Administration of justice at the United Nations) to the Fifth Committee, on the understanding that any decision requiring amending the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal or relating to the establishing of a higher-level jurisdiction would be subject to the advice of the Sixth Committee.

The General Assembly decided, with regard to item 12 (Report of the Economic and Social Council), on the recommendation of the General Committee, to consider directly in plenary meeting the report of the Economic and Social Council as a whole, with the understanding that the Second, Third and Fifth Committees would remain seized of the chapters already referred to them for their usual consideration.

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

Statements were made by the representative of the United Sates; H.E. Mr. Erkki Tuomioja, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland; H.E. Mr. Didier Opertti Badan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uruguay and former President of the General Assembly; H.E. Mr. Gabriel Orellana Rojas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Guatemala; the representative of Tunisia; H.E. Dr. Leonardo Santos Simao, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mozambique; the representatives of Bangladesh, Colombia, Canada, Liechtenstein, the United Arab Emirates, Nepal, the Czech Republic, Iraq, Venezuela, Malaysia and the Philippines; H.E. The Honourable Lakshman Kadirgamar, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka; and the representative of Cuba.

In accordance with the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 40th plenary meeting, on 8 November 2001, statements were made by the observers of the Holy See and Switzerland.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 33/18 of 10 November 1978 and decision 54/453 of 18 December 1998, the observer for the International Organization for la Francophonie made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.3 (resolution 56/6).

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 25.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 17th meeting

The Secretary of the Committee announced editorial corrections to the French text of draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.7, as well as to the Arabic text of draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.18. The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [87] *(A/C.4/56/L.7 to L.13)*

The representative of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) introduced draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.7.

The representative of the Netherlands introduced draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.8.

The representative of Indonesia introduced draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.9 to L.13.

The Chairman announced that Oman had become a sponsor of draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.9 to L.13

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.7

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.7 by a recorded vote of 116 to 1, with 2 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.8

The Chairman announced that Turkey had become a co-sponsor of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.8 without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.9

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.9 by a recorded vote of 117 to 2, with no abstention.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.10

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.10 by a recorded vote of 119 to none, with 1 abstention.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.11

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.11, by a recorded vote of 117 to 2, with 1 abstention.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.12

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.12 by a recorded vote of 118 to 2, with no abstention.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.13

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.13 by a recorded vote of 118 to 2, with no abstention.

The representative of Australia made a statement in explanation of vote.

Subsequently, the delegation of Yemen informed the Committee that had their delegation been present, it would have voted in favour of draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.7 and L.9. The delegations of Côte d'Ivoire and Senegal also informed the Committee that had their delegations been present, they would have voted in favour of draft resolutions A/C.4/6/L.7 to L.13.

The Committee thus concluded consideration of agenda item 87.

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88]

The representative of Uruguay made a statement.

Draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.14 to L.18

The representative of Cuba introduced draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.14, L.15, L.16, L.17* and L.18.

The Chairman announced that Bahrain and Oman had become co-sponsors of draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.14 to L.17. He also announced that Cuba had become a co-sponsor of draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.18

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.14

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.14 by a recorded vote of 73 to 2, with 47 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.15

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.15 by a recorded vote of 121 to 2, with no abstention.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.16

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.16 by a recorded vote of 119 to 2, with 3 abstentions.

*Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.17**

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.17* by a recorded vote of 117 to 2, with 2 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.18

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/56/L.18, by a recorded vote of 120 to 1, with 1 abstention.

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Australia, New Zealand, Canada and Norway.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

Subsequently, the delegation of Senegal informed the Committee that had their delegation been present, they would have voted in favour of draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.14 to L.18.

Organization of work

The Chairman outlined a proposal to resolve the status of the composition of the Bureau.

Statements in favour of the proposal were made by the representatives of Mexico and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Chairman also reminded the Committee that the two remaining items on the Committee's agenda would be considered during the period 19 to 21 November (items 90 (Questions relating to information) and 89 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects)). Delegations were urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers as soon as possible.

SECOND COMMITTEE 26th meeting

Environment and sustainable development [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.20

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Additional sponsors

The representative of the Russian Federation announced that his country had joined in sponsoring draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.3.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under item 96 (b) (Industrial development cooperation) was Tuesday, 13 November, at 6 p.m.

At the request of the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Committee agreed to extend the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under item 96 (a) (Business and development) to Tuesday, 13 November, at 6 p.m.

The representative of Belgium made a statement on behalf of the European Union.

Organizational matters

Following statements by the representatives of the United States, Egypt, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), the Russian Federation, Nigeria, Argentina, Indonesia, Portugal, Djibouti, Mexico, Ethiopia and Ecuador and statements by the Chairman and the Secretary in response to questions raised, the Committee agreed to limit the number of informal/informal consultations for the week of 12 to 16 November to those already scheduled, on the understanding that any interested delegations who would be unable to participate would have the right to make their position known on issues discussed in those meetings at a later date.

THIRD COMMITTEE 35th meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)]

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)]

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)]

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the sub-items.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq, in which the representatives of Iraq, the United States, Kuwait, the Russian Federation, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Cuba took part.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, in which the representatives of Myanmar, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Australia and the United States took part.

The Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, in which the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Yugoslavia, the Russian Federation and Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) took part.

36th meeting

Right of peoples to self-determination [118]

The committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.33

The representative of Egypt introduced, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, as well as Chile and Guinea, the draft resolution. Subsequently, China, the Congo, the Czech Republic, Hungary and Suriname joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)]

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)]

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)]

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)]

The Committee continued its consideration of the sub-items.

An introductory statement was made by the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi in which the representatives of Burundi, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) and the United Republic of Tanzania took part.

The Special Rapporteur on the freedom of religion or belief made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the freedom of religion or belief in which the representatives of Tunisia, Belgium *(on behalf of the* European Union), Spain, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Senegal and Viet Nam took part.

The Special Rapporteur on the right to food made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the right to food in which the representatives of the Sudan, Republic of Korea, the United States, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Benin, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Syrian Arab Republic took part.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 27th meeting

United Nations common system [127] *(A/56/30 and A/56/485)*

The Committee resumed its general discussion of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, China, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Dominican Republic.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission made a concluding statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

Organization of work

The representative of the Islamic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 24th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Poland, Turkey and India.

The Vice-Chairman of the International Law Commission made a concluding statement.

The Chairman spoke.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 162.

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-fourth session [161]

The representative of Austria made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.8.

The Chairman introduced draft resolutions A/C.6/56/L.10 to L.12.

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [159]

The representative of Ghana made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.13.

The representative of Cyprus made a statement.

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [163]

The Chairman of the Committee on Relation with the Host Country introduced the report of the Committee (A/56/26).

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Russian Federation.

The representative of Cyprus introduced draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.15.

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [165]

The representatives of the United Kingdom and Portugal orally proposed amendments to draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.14.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Iraq and Cuba.

The representative of Libyan Arab Jamahiriya made a statement in explanation of position before adoption of the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.14, as orally amended, without a vote.

The Committee also adopted the draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.6/Rev.1 without a vote.

The Committee concluded its consideration of agenda item 165.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Ratification: Algeria (16 October 2001)*

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Ratification: Algeria (8 November 2001)*

TREATY EVENT - MULTILATERAL TREATIES ON TERRORISM (UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS) (10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from *today*, 10 November, to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs promptly to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations were also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 9 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.), including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Sunday, 11 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

9 a.m. 46th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Stjepan Mesic, President of the Republic of Croatia
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luis Ángel González Macchi, President of the Republic of Paraguay
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda
5. Address by His Excellency Major-General Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
6. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Zlatko Lagumdzija, Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina

   China

   United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

   Finland

   Italy

   Djibouti

   Gabon

   Palestine, address by His Excellency Mr. Yasser Arafat

(continued overleaf)

3 p.m. 47th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alfonso Portillo Cabrera, President of the Republic of Guatemala

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Independent State of Samoa

Address by His Excellency Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Acting Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait

Address by His Serene Highness Crown Prince Albert, Crown Prince of the Principality of Monaco

Japan

Norway

Mauritania

Portugal

Ecuador

Algeria

Cambodia

Madagascar

Côte d'Ivoire

Oman

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

Live and archived Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly will be available on the General Assembly Web site (http://www.un.org/webcast/ga/56).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to dpi@un.int for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Sunday, 11 November 2001

Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1st plenary meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2nd plenary meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

[Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general exchange of views, in one of the official languages of the Conference, to dpi@un.int for posting on the Conference Web site.

Archived Webcast of the proceeding of the Conference will be available (starting on Monday, 26 November) on the Conference Web site on the Internet.]

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OTHER MEETINGS

The Ministerial Meeting of the Central Organ of the OAU Mechanism for Conflict Prevention, Management and Resolution will be held *today*, 11 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 12 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

9 a.m. 48th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency The Honourable Rene R. Harris, MP, President and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Nauru
2. Address by His Excellency The Honourable Daniel Toroitich arap Moi, MP, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Kenya
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Malta

   Turkey

   Germany

   Belize

   Senegal

   Iceland

   Austria

   Jordan

   Cape Verde

   Niger

   Mali

   United Arab Emirates

3 p.m. 49th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Rexhep Meidani, President of the Republic of Albania
2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Suriname

   Poland

   Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

   New Zealand

   Luxembourg

   Morocco

   Belarus

   Ireland

Saudi Arabia

Spain

Tunisia

The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Bangladesh

Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	38th meeting	Conference Room 1

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships), organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) will be held on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Friday, 16 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room B, and on Monday, 19 November, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), as follows:

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Special event

The United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force will be launched by the Secretary-General on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council will be present. This event will be webcasted live on www.unicttaskforce.org.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Interim Task Force Secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-5796).

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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There will be a meeting of the Islamic Group on Monday, 12 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 95 (c) (Science and technology for development))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. the Economic and Social Council.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on agenda item 96 (b) (Industrial development cooperation))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(on agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on the Ministerial Declaration)* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the State Members of the League of Arab States on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement will take place on Wednesday, 14 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. All delegations are invited.

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Verifying the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT): Capabilities, Progress and Challenges", organized by the delegations of Australia, Canada and Sweden, in cooperation with the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Welcoming remarks will be made by Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, followed by opening statements by representatives of Australia, Canada and Sweden. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373; http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373; and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Saturday, 10 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

44th plenary meeting

Statement by the President

The President made a statement.

Statement by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Address by H.E. Mr. Fernando Henrique Cardoso, President of Brazil

H.E. Mr. Fernando Henrique Cardoso, President of Brazil, addressed the General Assembly.

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Address by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar

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Address by H.E. Mr. Ricardo Lagos, President of the Republic of Chile

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Address by H.E. Mr. Sayed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran

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Opening of the general debate [9]

The President of the General Assembly reminded the members of the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting on 19 September that congratulations should not be expressed inside the General Assembly Hall after a speech had been delivered.

In this connection, the President recalled the decision taken by the Assembly at the same meeting that speakers in the general debate, after having delivered their statements, should leave the Assembly Hall through room GA-200 at the rear of the podium before returning to their seats.

H.E. Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Lee Han-dong, Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Louis Michel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) and H.E. Mr. Anatoliy Zlenko, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

45th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. General Pervez Musharraf, President and Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

H.E. General Pervez Musharraf, President and Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia

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Address by H.E. Mr. Alejandro Toledo Manrique, President of the Republic of Peru

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Address by H.E. Mr. Milan Kucan, President of the Republic of Slovenia

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Address by H.E. Mr. Jorge Quiroga Ramirez, President of the Republic of Bolivia

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Address by H.E. Dr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia

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Address by H.E. Mr. Ion Iliescu, President of Romania

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Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. The Right Honourable Percival James Patterson, MP, Prime Minister and Minister of Defence of Jamaica, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Alhaji Aliu Mahama, Vice President of the Republic of Ghana, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Hubert Védrine, Minister for Foreign Affairs of France; H.E. Mr. Juli Minoves-Triquell, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Andorra; H.E. The Honourable John Manley, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Canada; H.E. Dr. Stanislaus Mudenge, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zimbabwe; and H.E. Mr. Roberto Flores Bermúdez, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. New York, 7 March 1966

Declaration under article 14 of the Convention: Slovenia (10 November 2001)*

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Accession: Peru (10 November 2001)*

Ratification: Portugal (10 November 2001)*

Ratification: Uruguay (10 November 2001)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Signature: Bolivia (10 November 2001)

Signature: Brazil (10 November 2001)

Signature: Jamaica (10 November 2001)

Signature: Monaco (10 November 2001)

Signature: Namibia (10 November 2001)

Signature: Slovenia (10 November 2001)

Signature: South Africa (10 November 2001)

Ratification: Monaco (10 November 2001)*

Ratification: Peru (10 November 2001)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Ratification: Singapore (10 November 2001)*

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Ratification: Peru (10 November 2001)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Ratification: Romania (10 November 2001)*

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Signature: Bolivia (10 November 2001)

Signature: Canada (10 November 2001)

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